

THE AMENDMENT

In the Specification:

Please amend the paragraphs starting at page 12, line 5 as follows.

Figure 1: the amino acid sequence of the human CD95 (APO-1; Fas) protein (SEQ ID NO: 13);

Figure 2: the amino acid sequence of the human IgG-1 chain C-region (SEQ ID NO: 14);

Figures 3A and 3B: a preferred example of a CD95-Fc IgG1 fusion protein with an overlapping amino acid (SEQ ID NOs: 15-18);

Figure 4: the amino acid sequence of the human TRAIL receptor-1 (SEQ ID NO: 19);

Figure 5: preferred examples of TRAILR-1 Fc IgG1 fusion proteins with overlapping amino acids (SEQ ID NO: 20-24);

Figure 6: the amino acid sequence of human TRAIL receptor-2 (long form) (SEQ ID NO: 25);

Figure 7: preferred examples of TRAILR-2 (long) Fc IgG1 fusion proteins with overlapping amino acids, including a repeat sequence (SEQ ID NO: 26-32);

Figure 8: preferred examples of TRAILR-2 (long form) Fc fusion proteins with overlapping amino acids (without repeat sequence) (SEQ ID NO: 33-38);

Figure 9: the amino acid sequence of human TRAILR-2 (short form) (SEQ ID NO: 39);

Figure 10: preferred examples of TRAILR-2 (short) Fc IgG1 fusion proteins with overlapping amino acids (SEQ ID NO: 40-44);

Figure 11: the amino acid sequence of human TRAIL receptor R-3 (SEQ ID NO: 45);

Figure 12: preferred examples of TRAILR-3 Fc IgG1 fusion proteins with overlapping amino acids (repeats included) (SEQ ID NO: 46-52);

Figure 13: preferred examples of TRAILR-3 Fc IgG1 fusion proteins with overlapping amino acids (repeats not included) (SEQ ID NO: 53-58);

Figure 14: the amino acid sequence of human TRAIL receptor-4 (SEQ ID NO: 59);

Figure 15: preferred examples of TRAILR-4 Fc IgG1 fusion proteins with overlapping amino acids (SEQ ID NO: 60-64);

Figure 16: the amino acid sequence of human tumor necrosis factor receptor-1 (SEQ ID NO: 65);

Figure 17: preferred examples of TNFR-1 Fc IgG1 fusion proteins with overlapping amino acids (SEQ ID NO: 66-73);

Figure 18: the amino acid sequence of human tumor necrosis factor receptor-2 (SEQ ID NO: 74);

Figure 19: preferred examples of TNF-R2 Fc IgG1 fusion proteins with overlapping amino acids (SEQ ID NO: 75-82).

Please amend the paragraphs starting at page 13, line 24 as follows.

PCR primers for the amplification of CD95 cDNA with Taq polymerase:

Sense huCD95-Hind III: TATA AAGCTT GCC ACC ATG CTG GGC ATC TG (SEQ ID NO:~~24~~ 1)